



**Scientist Amy Peters and Senior Scientist Chuck Hanlon plot their course.
Lake Okeechobee, October 2011**



Bulrush (*Schoenoplectus californicus*) planted near Clewiston,
Lake Okeechobee, October 2011



Large Tape Grass (*Vallisneria americana*) bed near Clewiston.
Lake Okeechobee, October 2011



**The season for burning sugarcane fields has begun. Leaves are removed using controlled burns in preparation for harvest.
Seen from Lake Okeechobee, October 2011**



A lovely day on Lake Okeechobee,
October 2011



Amy Peters at the helm of the Sea Ark,
Lake Okeechobee, October 2011



Scientist Eric Crawford relaxes between stations.
Lake Okeechobee, October 2011



An Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*) lands on weather station L005.
Lake Okeechobee, October 2011



Double-crested Cormorants (*Phalacrocorax auritus*)
Pahokee marina, Lake Okeechobee, October 2011



Seagull stretch. (Laughing Gulls, *Larus atricilla*)
Pahokee marina, Lake Okeechobee, October 2011



**Supervising Scientist Therese East (foreground),
Chuck Hanlon and Eric Crawford
work on removal of vines
(mostly Wild Grape, *Vitis sp.*)
from recently planted saplings,
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011**



One tree almost freed.
(L to R), Scientist Karen Donnelly, Therese East and Eric Crawford
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011



(L to R) Eric Crawford, Chuck Hanlon, Therese East.
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011



Eric prepares to take a whack at it.



Cleared trees seeing the sun again,
October 2011



Trees cleared of vines last month are still doing well.
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011



~7ft Yellow Rat Snake (*Pantherophis obsoletus*) in a cleared sapling.
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011





Beggar's Tick (*Bidens* sp.) in the marsh.
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011



Long-tailed Skipper (*Urbanus proteus*).
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011





Praying Mantis (*Mantis religiosa*)
Lake Istokpoga, October 2011